

GEN. WYANT'S WATERLOO.

SURPRISED BY THE ENEMY DISGUISED AS A P. DGE PARTY.

The Golden City Generalissimo, Peering a Night Attack, Reconnaitred the Country of "Bodine" with Three Lieutenants and Fails Back Fudged.

The pellucid light of the new moon trickling over Staten Island last night revealed in the neighborhood of Fort Richmond a strange and inspiring figure. A black slouch hat, pulled low over the forehead, a long coat of military cut and long rubber boots imperfectly disguised the Mayor of Golden City, Melville E. Wygant, by his own grace General of the forces opposed to the invading Bodines, Col. Clara Bodine commanding.

Twice cracked and quid squashed under the General's boots, but save for the unobtrusive booting of an insignificant owl, there was not a sound. Not a leaf stirred. The General advanced to the yellow waters of Bodine Creek, placed a gauntleted hand behind his ear and listened intently. For a murmur. From the caement of Fortress Bodine, some distance from the creek, the light streamed warmly and there came softly to the General the strumming of a piano. Col. Bodine was giving a fudge party to the ladies of the Church Circle. Light laughter and a pleasant odor of cooking candy came to the General.

He pulled his hat still lower over his brow, advanced a foot and thrust a hand in the breast of his coat. Napoleon once did the same.

"Strange that such peace should hover," he muttered. "I suspect treachery. The woman is hugging me to inaction. Fudge on the eve of battle! I must summon my lieutenants."

The General blew shrilly on a dog whistle. After a time came the muffled rowing of cars, the scraping of a box on gravel and a low bell. A boat slipped from the moonlight and stopped at the General's feet.

"Austerlitz," breathed a man, long man in an excited gurgle of the General's command. The long man shouted awfully. The General with the grace of the born leader, the long man was Nicholas Kowalski, who saw service in the Spanish-American War. To him the Mayor of Golden City has given a commission as Major-General in the army of Golden City. Long Mike carried the commission in the form of a battered felt hat in which a white pompadour is stuck cockily.

"What sir, have you to report after your reconnaissance?" demanded the General. "I have the honor, General, to report nothing doing," replied Gen. Kowalski. "The moonlight was too bright. I saw no sign of the enemy. I have sighted three muskrats, an owl hoots in yonder tree, for the rest, nothing doing. I have done well, General. Your name shall be inscribed on the town hall of Golden City in letters of brass, written on the roll of fame in scarlet ink."

"Austerlitz," croaked a voice from a thicket of young trees. "Wagam," the General softly answered. To the council of war came then Major-General Jack Bodine, once a special police man, always a strong boy for Tammany in Staten Island, now commander of the land forces of Gen. Wygant.

His manner was the manner of the plain people, and doesn't care a hinky dink for the trappings of war, the gold lace of the Golden City service.

"Say, Mel," said he, "you might as well go to bed and let us go, too. There ain't a blessed thing to be done here. I have a presentiment that something is about to happen. Have you seen signs of the enemy?"

"Nary a sign," said Big Jack cheerfully. "There's a lot of women folk in the creek. Bodine house playing on the piano and cooking candy, I judge."

"Austerlitz," said a low voice from a bush of bushes near the old battle house used to be Gen. Wygant found a pot of gold there once, which led to the gossip goes to the betterment of his fortunes. The finding of that pot led to the digging up of a considerable portion of Staten Island by excited folk who thought there might be more pots somewhere.

"Wagam," said the General. "Hank Moore, Brigadier-General, in civil life assistant foreman of the vamps of Zephyr Hose Company, said out of the dark, said and reported exceeding quiet on the left flank. He pulled his forehead and retired three paces while the General meditated.

"Report, please on the condition of the ordnance," said he after a time.

Gen. Redmond laughed raucously. "Mel," said he, "you know that snooty cannon ain't been fired since year '94."

"Silence, sir," commanded Gen. Wygant. "Sir," said Gen. Keating, "the three twelve-gauge shot guns are loaded as you ordered, two with coarse salt, one with fine shot. We are prepared, sir, to give a good account of ourselves in case of attack."

"It is well," commented the General, lighting a Wheelie. "I have a plan," he continued. "I shall call for volunteers. None but the brave need step forward."

The three Generals saluted. "To the death, sir," said Gen. Keating. "Lead on, sir," said Gen. Moore. "Go ahead, Mel," said Gen. Redmond.

"I propose that we reconnoitre Fortress Bodine," said the General. "I suspect an attack is being planned under this appearance of meekness. You and you, gentlemen, that there was a tall in Brussels the night before Waterloo. Follow me."

The cranksy staff transported the General and his three captains by horseback to the Bodine house. They were ordered to dismount. The Bodine's staff followed them. It saw Redmond and frowned upon him. They were old pals in the house the piano was played and the girls were laughing. The four walked around the house, keeping under cover, scouting like Indians in the shade of trees, starting at a sound.

Suddenly a back door swung open and half a dozen girls streamed out. They carried pans of liquid candy that was slowly hardening. They held up their skirts out of the damp with one hand, and they ringed the four Generals of the Golden City about.

These would have retired in as good order as possible, hoping to escape recognition, but it was not so to be.

To each of the four girls handed a pan of candy.

"With the compliments of Col. Bodine to Gen. Wygant," said one, tittering with glee. "On the eve of Sunday the Colonel has ordered that there shall be observed."

From the house came the strident melody. "Back, back, back to Bodine!" Very suddenly then, peace came. The four Generals bowed with Staten Island grace, accepted the fudge, presented through the mouth of Gen. Wygant the compliments of the Army of Golden City and retired across the Rubicon.

The contest between Wygant and Miss Bodine for the ground in which Golden City is built will be settled in the courts in all probability. Wygant holds the ground on the principle of matter sovereignty. Miss Bodine says it belongs to her, because her family owned the creek and swamp which the course of years has caused to be filled with rubbish, ashes and the like, making solid ground, which Wygant now holds, and she will use the land houses for rental. Miss Bodine got a force of men, who built a fence partly around Golden City the first part of this week, to make public a section of her ownership. Wygant got a force that drove off the fence-makers, and since then both sides have waited.

Miss Bodine, who reconnoitred fourteen heirs of the Bodine estate, has engaged Elihu Root as her chief counsel. Wygant has employed DeGroot, Harwood & Stafford of Staten Island as his counsel.

FOXES SCARE BRONX ZOO CROWD.

Wild Creatures From South America Dash From Their Cage—Aunt-Lope Gears One.

A pair of rare South American foxes escaped from their pen at the Bronx Zoo yesterday afternoon and created considerable excitement among the children who had gathered near the cage to watch the keeper wash out the pens. Keeper Samuel Rae was using a line of hose that he had dragged through the cage door, and Keeper Frederick Schoesser was defending the entrance against the foxes' frantic efforts to escape.

The animals are much larger than the red fox of this country and look more like a wolf than a fox. They have only been in confinement a few months and arrived at the Zoo two weeks ago. Schoesser had a pole with which to drive them away from the gate, but one of the active beasts got within his guard and made a flying leap for the keeper's head. Schoesser dodged and the fox cleared the gateway and ran into the crowd. As the keeper turned to watch the escaping animal, its companion slipped by him and made of both faces toward the duck pond, and the crowd, more frightened than the beasts themselves, fled in all directions.

The keeper, armed with nets, gave chase and captured one of the foxes at the pond. The other eluded its pursuers and ran into the buffalo range where it was charged by the herds and doubled back to the antelope house. Putting from its run the frightened beast took refuge in the bleachers' enclosure where it again met with a most inopportune reception. The big antelope charged the fox and driving it into a corner forced it badly before the keepers could come to the rescue.

The fox was finally picked up unconsciously and turned over to Curator Baker who said that the poor beast had two broken ribs and internal injuries which would probably cause its death.

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Mrs. Wood Expresses Her Views on Large Families, and 150 Women Applaud.

President Roosevelt deplores the possibility that some of us prefer to live in the 'now' and decline to sacrifice every interest for posterity," said Mrs. William H. Wood at the third annual luncheon of the Portia Club in the Hotel St. Regis yesterday afternoon.

"Yet we will try to bear up under these aspersions and by patience and perseverance work out our destiny as seems best to us, at the same time tendering him our grateful thanks for his active interest in our domestic arrangements. It is kind of him, with so many weighty matters of state engaging his strenuous attention, to map out for us our sphere."

"And, by the way, 'tis passing strange that some members of the other sex know so much more about that rather uncertain territory than we ourselves are cognizant of. I suppose this excess of zeal is wholly due to solitude for unborn generations and the wish to relieve the infinite from further responsibility in that direction."

[Loud applause by the 150 women present.] "Ah, don't you believe in large families!" asked a gray-haired spinster. "I have seen some ideal large families."

"Of course, I believe in large families—in all children and all have good education and be properly taken care of. But to bring children into the world without preparing for their future is not to be forgiven," replied Mrs. Wood.

Postmaster William R. Wilcox gave his ideas for improving the mail service in the city. He said:

The need to-day is for more branch post offices in order to have more distributing centers, and we want these distributing centers connected by the most rapid method of transportation—the pneumatic tube.

"To have our mails carried by wagons is a relic of barbarism and should be relegated to the past. I am not one who believes that post central post office would solve the question of better postal facilities in Greater New York. This matter must be brought before Congress at its next session, and we must demand that this city shall have modern facilities."

Consul A. W. Tourgeon Criticized H. JAMBERTON, N. Y., April 8.—A letter has been received from Miss Almene Tourgeon announcing the critical illness of her father, Judge Albion W. Tourgeon of Mayville, N. Y., American Consul at Bordeaux, France. Little hope, she writes, is entertained for his recovery.

Held for Kicking "Eagle" Carrier. The Brooklyn Eagle strike got into the West Side Court yesterday. Bernard Kirman of 567 Tenth avenue was arraigned on the charge of assaulting Harry Lehman, 15 years old, of 335 Decatur street. Brooklyn was held in \$500 for trial.

lyn, on April 5, Lehman carries Eagles to the Forty-second street ferry after school. Kirman, it is alleged, tore up his papers and kicked him. He denied the charge, but Onslow Gordon of 71 Halsey street, Brooklyn, corroborated Lehman's charge. Kirman was held in \$500 for trial.

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